

The Mission Statement of Centerville Elementary School

- The Centerville School educational philosophy is dedicated to offering quality education for all members of the community by providing equal opportunity to become effective and responsible citizens in a changing society.
- It is necessary that the school system respond to changes in society and the field of education which make it possible for the realization of this educational philosophy and provide for effective educational opportunities in a changing world.
- Appropriately utilized, technology will extend all students' involvement with the learning experience and sources of information, increase their critical thinking and applications capabilities, make the world accessible to them, and provide enhanced training in fundamental skills necessary for life and career in an increasingly complex world.
- The incorporation of technology into our educational programs and school management will increase operational efficiency and effectiveness of the school system.
- It is important to note that our plan shares similar policies and procedures with those of the city wide technology plan; It is our intent to parallel our technology plan with the Beverly technology plan.

All programs, activities, and employment opportunities in the Beverly Public Schools are offered without regard to race, color, sex, religion, ancestry, national origin, sexual orientation, disability, and any other class or characteristic protected by law.

Centerville Elementary strongly encourages everyone to work together to continue to make Centerville School a place where children love to attend and a school where parents believe their children are receiving an outstanding education from teachers who are dedicated and committed to their profession.

Centerville...

A place where excellence in education is defined as educating the whole child.

Any questions or comments about Centerville?

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About Centerville

Centerville Elementary School has been at its current site since 1965. It is located in Beverly, on the picturesque North Shore of Massachusetts, about 20 miles from Boston. For the 2007-2008 school year, 348 students are enrolled in grades K-5.

The Centerville area was previously known as the "Bald Hill District" of the Montserrat section of Beverly. The farmers of this area named the section Centerville in 1872. The present Centerville School is the fourth location of a school in Centerville located at 17 Hull Street on an 11.6 acre site.

Academically, it is among the top elementary schools in Massachusetts, with an outstanding faculty. This translates to students that enjoy learning and strive to reach their potential.

The Centerville School is a place where **excellence in education is defined as educating the whole child**. Centerville's mission is to provide the knowledge, skills, abilities, and attitudes that are fundamental to a productive and successful life. Centerville believes that these goals are best achieved when the school provides an environment in which adults practice essential values that serve as a model to benefit the academic, emotional, and social needs of all children.

Centerville School **believes that strong communication between home and school** provides the caring and nurturing atmosphere that exists here. Centerville has tremendous pride in the fact that parental collaboration with the professional staff promotes excellence in teaching that results in high academic achievement and enables children to realize personal excellence. Centerville provides a challenging and supportive learning environment that promotes the natural curiosity of children as they explore all components of the curriculum.

Centerville Features

- MA **Curriculum Frameworks guidelines** that are utilized to provide curriculum and professional development.
- A systematic **phonemic awareness and literacy** program, Wilson Foundations and Rigby Literacy in grades K-3 and Literacy by Design in grades 4 and 5.
- An annual **Reading Festival** to promote a love of reading and school spirit.
- An **inclusion model** for special needs children.
- A **state-of-the-art computer lab** housing 25 internet-ready PC's donated by the Pascucci family.
- The **fifth grade performance**, which culminates the students' elementary years, as they work cohesively to learn and entertain through the arts.
- **Uninterrupted literacy blocks** to promote learning.
- Full-time **reading specialist** and full-time **adjustment counselor**.
- Annual schoolwide **participation in "Make a Difference Day"**, providing school supplies to Beverly school-age students and assistance for those less fortunate during the holiday seasons.
- **Active PTO** which provides educational enrichment programs that reinforce learning, family events, and financial support for classroom teachers and support personnel, cultural arts events, and classroom field trips.



Green School Facility

A major renovation of Centerville Elementary Schools took place in 2002-03. A special feature incorporated into the building was a **combination skylight/day lighting system** in the form of a "roof monitor." In 2002, the Beverly Public Schools were awarded a \$20,000 grant from the Massachusetts Technology Collaborative (MTC), as part of the Green Schools Initiative which allowed Centerville School to install a combination skylight/day lighting system.



This skylight allows natural lighting to penetrate into the classroom areas, creating a healthier and more productive teaching and learning environment. The natural light works in combination with photo sensors that automatically dim lights when they are not needed.

The slanted, south-facing roof on top of the roof monitor supports 10 kW of solar photovoltaic cells.



A 10 kW wind turbine has also been installed on the grounds. Energy savings range from 15-20%, amounting to over \$10,000/year.